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REFERENCE TO: Mission 1102,

ABU AL MATAMIR AIRFIELD

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

COMPLETION OF RUNWAY CONSTRUCTION AT ABU AL

MATAMIR AIRFIELD.

2. LOCATION:

5 NM SOUTH OF ABU AL MATAMIR, 26.2 NM SE OF AL

ISKANDARIYAH (ALEXANDARIA) AND 72 NM NW OF AL

QAHIRAH (CAIRO) AT 3049N 03011E.

3. REMARKS:

SINCE THE JUNE WAR WITH ISRAEL, 4 NEW AIRFIELDS

HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED ON KH PHOTOGRAPHY IN EGYPT.

IN ADDITION TO ABU AL MATAMIR, NEW AIRFIELDS ARE

UNDER CONSTRUCTION NEAR AZ ZAGAZIG (40 NM NNE OF

AL QAHIRAH), BIRMA (50 NM NNW OF AL QAHIRAH), AND

WADI AL JANDALI (APIROX 31 NM EAST OF AL QAHIRAH).

4. COLLATERAL:

AS A RESULT OF THE JUNE WAR, EGYPT LOST CONTROL

OF 4 MAJOR AIRFIELDS IN THE SINAI (AL ARISH, GEBEL

LIBNI, BIR HASANAH NEW, AND BIR JIFJAFAH NEW). IN

ADDITION, THE ISRAELI PRESENCE ON THE EAST BANK OF

THE CANAL HAS LIMITED THE EGYPTIAN USE OF THE

AIRFIELDS LOCATED ON THE WEST BANK, MOST

NOTABLY FAYID AND KABRIT.

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	FIRST IDENTIFICATION:
	NEGATION DATE:
' .	SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE:
	DIMENSIONS/ SPECIFICATIONS: 10,350 x 140 FT NW/SE RUNWAY
	MISSION READOUT: THIS MISSION REVEALS THE AIRFIELD TO CONSIST OF A 10,350 X
	140 FT NW/SE SERVICEABLE RUNWAY WITH A PARALLEL TAXIWAY, 2 END-CONNECTING
	LINKS AND 4 CROSSOVER LINKS. A DISPERSAL AREA WITH AT LEAST 8 HANGARETTES
	IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION JUST NORTH OF THE NW END OF THE RUNWAY, ANOTHER
	DISPERSAL AREA CONTAINING 4 HANGARETTES IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION JUST NORTH
	OF THE SE END OF THE RUNWAY. ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED
	SW OF THE RUNWAY.

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